Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes. A copy of the Trichur Sub-Magistrate's order is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

(b) Yes. One Dr. V. N. Krishna Ayyar took his car through the prohibited area. A complaint preferred against him by the Trichur Town Sub-Inspector is pending trial in the Trichur Sub-Magistrate's Court.

Appointment of the Headmaster, Trippunittura Sanskrit College.

39. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the name of the Pisharodi who was appointed in the place of Mr. Rama Pisharodi who was lent to Annamalai University with his qualifications and pay ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Mr. K. Narayana Pisharodi, Sanskrit Honours Graduate. Pay Rs. 60—80.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What was the pay of Mr. Rama Pisharodi ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—When, please? Before he was appointed to this post or after?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—When he was posted to this place.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I think his pay was Rs. 40. If it is Rama Pisharodi, it was something higher, I think Rs. 125.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Why was this pay reduced?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—It was on account of the poor finances of the institution that we had to cut down the pay. We were looking for an opportunity. When Mr. Rama Pisharodi was lent to the Annamalai University, we took advantage of it and cutdown the pay.

Treatment of the Depressed Classes.

40. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have received complaints regarding ill-treatment of the Depressed Classes of the Nettur Colony near Ernakulam;

(b) if so, who are the parties against whom complaints are made;

(c) and what action have they taken ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Ezhuvas.

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(c) The matter was enquired into and the needful done to prevent such mischief.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What was done?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The parties were warned by the Police, and a beat constable was asked to take the signature of one of the Pulayas.

Improving the road from the Edakkunni road to Pullani thodu.

41. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Gorvenment be pleased to state whether they have taken any, and if so, what steps to open and improve the road from the Edakkunni road at Thiruvallakavu to Pullani thodu ?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Necessary provision for the work has been made in the budget for 1106. It will be taken up next year. Meanwhile steps are being taken by the Revenue Department for acquiring the lands required for the road.

Diwanship of the State.

42. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any truth in the newspaper report that one Mr. Herbert, I. C. S., accepted appointment as Diwan of Cochin and then declined it subsequently; and if so, what are the reasons for his declining the place ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government regret that they are unable to disclose whatever information they have on the subject.

43. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any truth in the news-paper report that one Mr. Bolton, I. C. S., has been approached with the offer of the place of the Diwanship of Cochin and if so, whether he has accepted the offer or not ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The same answer as the one furnished to question No. 42.

Members of the Legislative Council as applicants for Government posts.

44. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the Members of the Legislative Council who applied for Government service this year and the last year and the dates of such applications and the posts ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No name other than the one referred to in question No. 129 of the budget session of 1104 is on record. The post applied for by the person referred to therein was that of a Munsiff or a Magistrate.

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